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27th Sunday of the Year

8th October 2023

MASS TIMES AT ST. EDWARD'S, KETTERING

- Tuesday - 10.00 am
- Wednesday - 10.00 am
- Thursday - 7.00 pm (*This evening Mass is with music on screen*)
- Friday - 7.00 pm
- Saturday Vigil Mass - 6.30 pm ***After Mass - confession on request***
- Sunday Early Mass - 8.30 am
- Sunday Family Mass - 10.30 am

MASS TIMES AT BURTON LATIMER

The 1st and 3rd Sunday of every month - 9.00 am

MASS TIMES AT DESBOROUGH

The 2nd and 4th Sunday of every month - 9.00 am

MASS TIMES AT ROTHWELL

The 1st and 3rd Sunday of every month - 12.15 pm

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For the 5th Sunday of the month, please check the newsletter

*It was the stone rejected
by the builders that became
the keystone...*



*...This was the Lord's doing
and it is wonderful to see.*

THIS WEEK'S INTENTIONS



Saturday **06.30 pm** - Allan Guthrie RIP / - Eddie Gallacher RIP, died in Scotland

Sunday **08.30 am** - Caroline Gormley RIP

09.00 am - / **Desborough** / - For the Parish

10.30 am - Peace and progress in Ike's family. God's guidance and protection on our children / - Elizabeth, Willand, Isabelle and Sarah thanksgiving and for all the blessings received and for all the souls in Purgatory.

Monday **Private Mass** - For the Parish

Tuesday **09.30 am** - *Exposition and Adoration*

10.00 am - Margaret Marsh int.

Wednesday **10.00 am** - Patrick and Teresa Cummins RIP

Thursday **07.00 pm** - For Parents RIP on 55th wedding anniversary

Friday **10.00 am** - *Mass for the Parish with veneration*

*of the relic of our Patron **St Edward***

06.30 pm - *Adoration, the Rosary and Benediction*

07.00 pm - Liliana 15th birthday / *veneration of the **Relic** after Mass*

Saturday **06.30 pm** - Nuala Hammond RIP

Sunday **08.30 am** - Jadwiga Maria int.

09.00 am - / **Burton Latimer** / - For the Holy Souls

10.30 am - For the Parish / - Margaret Marsh int.

12.15 pm - / **Rothwell** / - For the Parish

A 2nd collection for **CAFOD Harvest Fast Day** will take place this weekend.

A 2nd collection for '**Missio**' will take place on the weekend of **21st/22nd October**.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - SUNDAY 15th OCTOBER

To request a Mass Intention please send an email to:

parish.stedwardkettering@northamptondiocese.org

To respect people's wishes, there has usually been only one Mass Intention per Mass (This Intention might encompass even several people, but it will have been requested by one individual). There are occasional instances though, when there need to be two separate Intentions at a Mass. When this arises, I would be grateful for your understanding.

CONFESSIONS AT ST EDWARD'S



Confessions at St Edward's are on Saturdays after Vigil Mass which is at 6.30 pm.

You can always request confession before or after any weekday Mass.

“The first step we must take to build the Kingdom of God on earth is to rediscover and appreciate the importance of the sacrament of confession, which will allow us appreciate the sacrament of the Eucharist. *We cannot appreciate the Eucharist while removing the sacrament of Confession from our spiritual life*”.

- Fr Gregory

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED



In our prayers, let us remember our deceased parishioners, family members and friends. Let us especially remember those who have recently passed away.

+ **Eddie Gallacher** - whose funeral was in Scotland last Friday.

+ **Fr Elvis' Grandmother** - who passed away shortly after his arrival in our parish.

Make me a channel of your peace: it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, in giving to all that we receive, and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

A WARM WELCOME TO FR ELVIS!!!



*Fr Elvis arrived with a bouquet of roses for the Queen of the Holy Rosary.
May she guide and protect him in his priestly ministry among us.*

TIME FOR LISTENING



In the coming weeks readings, we see there are many ways we can follow the Lord; we can proclaim the Good News, pray for and serve others. But one method usually gets overlooked; we can just listen to Jesus, like Mary did.

In the time of Jesus, the disciple sat at the feet of a teacher to learn. In Matthew's gospel, for example, Jesus taught the Beatitudes as His followers and the crowd sat below Him (Matthew 5:1-12). But the followers were male. Mary caused controversy when she stepped out of her social role as a woman to seat as a disciple. And Martha expected her sister to play the host as she did. The Lord added to the discussion when He approved of Mary's decision. Serving had merit, but hearing the Good News stood above any responsibility as host.

In Luke 11, Jesus turns to the subject of prayer. When a disciple asked Him for a teaching on prayer, He actually wanted to know what sort of relationship the Lord had with Yahweh. Jesus responded by calling God His Father, petitioning for the immanence of the Kingdom, beseeching for daily needs and seeking forgiveness in light of the coming divine reign through salvation from the Evil One. Here, Luke presented a shortened version of the Our Father but 11:3 needs comment. The Greek word translated as "daily" is controversial. It can mean "everyday" or it can mean "for the morrow." In the context of the prayer as a petition for the Kingdom, the later sense could be translated as "bread for the day (of the Lord)" In other words, it asks for the eternal bread, that is the sustenance of the Eucharist.

We all have busy lives. We may tell others about our faith and we try to serve family, friends and community. But when do we take the time to simply listen to the Lord? *When you pray or read the Scriptures today, take a few moments just to sit in silence. What is Jesus saying to you?*

FEAST DAY OF OUR PATRON, SAINT EDWARD



Friday, 13th OCTOBER

10 am - Morning Mass with veneration of the **Relic of St Edward**.

10.30 am - Coffee Morning in the Parish Hall.



6.30 pm - 7 pm - Adoration with the **Rosary** and **Benediction**

7 pm - Evening Mass with veneration of the **Relic of St Edward**.



OCTOBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY



October is the month of the **Holy Rosary**. We pray the Rosary in our church on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

I would like the following organisations to lead that prayer for us:

Tuesday at 9.30 am - Legion of Mary and UCM

Wednesday at 9.30 am - Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

Thursday at 6.30 pm - **Rosary on screen**

Friday at 6.30 pm - Fr Gregory, Fr Elvis and Altar Servers

Rosary at Rothwell (St Bernadette's Church) is every **Thursday at 11 am**.

There is one more, new initiative how we can venerate the Queen of The Holy Rosary. Jesus said to Mary and St John on Calvary:

'Mother this is your son, Son this is your Mother'.

And from that moment John took her to himself.

Following the example of St John, the Apostle we would like to take Our Lady to our homes as well, and pray through her intercession. On the table (*next to the Sacred Heart*) there is a statue of Our Lady and a rosary blessed by Pope Francis. Each of us can take that statue and rosary for one evening and invite our family to pray the rosary together. You can cover your table with white cloth and light a candle if you wish. If you live alone, you can invite your friends. There will be a booking list on the table as well for those who are willing to take part in this initiative, so that we are sure that Our Lady will be in our homes. Please take the statue and rosary after a Mass and return both before the next. **October has 31 days, so please don't miss out this opportunity of having our Blessed Mother at your home, and pray the Rosary!**

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UCM ROSARY RALLY AND DAY OF PRAYER

Saturday, 14th October

Our Lady's and St. Lawrence
Mass starts at 10.00 am
39-41 West Street, Olney, MK46 5HH

THE FLOWER GROUP



The flower group would like to thank everyone for their donations. You have been very generous and we are very grateful. Most weeks the Flower group take time to purchase fresh flowers, gather greenery, soak the oasis then make arrangements for the church. Planning ahead for Christmas if anyone has got any Pampas grass or poppy heads, we would appreciate your donations.

Once again, many thanks for your support.

The Flower Group

MEDAL OF ST STEPHEN FOR OUR ALTAR SERVERS



This weekend our Servers will be gifted with medals of **St Stephen**.

St Stephen is the patron saint of Servers.

We congratulate them all for their important services on the Altar.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION



If you would like your child to be baptised, please contact Fr Gregory. Parents who would like their children to be baptised are invited to attend Baptismal Preparation on the first Monday of the month at **7 pm** at St Edward's Church. The next meeting will be on Monday, **6th November 2023**.

COFFEE MORNINGS



The next **Wednesday Coffee Morning** will be run by the Soup Kitchen after 10.00 am Mass on **1st November**. This will be followed by Ernie's group in December.

CAFOD NEWS

We are hosting an [online event](#) on Thursday 12 October at 7pm to reflect on what Pope Francis' *Laudate Deum* means for us. Please do join us and share this [invitation](#) with others.



CAFOD Family Fast Day appeal - Harvest Collection at Masses this week



Donate to CAFOD today so that more families can get the expert help they need. Use the envelope in church, the QR code or give online at cafod.org.uk

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM FATHER GREGORY ABOUT APPLICATIONS TO BISHOP STOPFORD SCHOOL



I am sure that parents are aware that on the application form there is a section about the church leader. When you fill this in, please come and see me at any time, before or after any Mass, with a printed photocopy of the form. I will then be able to keep a record of who is applying to the school and when they contact me with a list of applicants, it will be easy for me to check the names put forward. If I have not met someone, even very briefly, it is very hard for me to verify a name on the list. I would like to avoid confusion and disappointment at a later date. There is no need to make an appointment, a quick 'Hello Father' and a smile will do! *Fr Gregory*

HOSPITAL MINISTRY



‘For I was sick and you looked after me’

Matthew 25

I am very pleased to say that our priestly ministry in the hospital is now supported by Eucharistic ministers who are visiting all Catholic patients and offering them Holy Communion. Initially the Volunteers will go to the hospital every fortnight while the number of Volunteers grows. I will keep praying that more parishioners will come forward for this very important ministry. Please contact me if you are willing to help.

WELCOMERS ARE WELCOME!



We are looking for new Volunteers to offer a friendly welcome, to make sure that hymn books are handed out and returned, and to provide a general friendly atmosphere of joy. If you would like to come forward, please email the Parish Office.

HEALING GARDENS

The Northampton Male Voice Choir will be performing at Northampton Cathedral to raise funds for the Healing Garden. The garden, within the Cathedral grounds, is intended to provide a sanctuary for all in need of healing, with a particular focus on the needs of those hurt by abuse. Please join us for a fantastic evening of music and entertainment. The concert starts at 7.30 pm on Friday 20th October 2023. All are welcome to attend. Tickets cost £15 and be purchased by calling 01604 714556 online using <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/northamptoncathedral> or by visiting the Cathedral Parish Office within the St Thomas Centre.

YOUTH INITIATIVES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE PARISH



Our Parish is very blessed with a number of groups and societies. However, most of them are for adults. So, we are thinking about establishing a youth group for children 12-17 years old. If you would like to get involved, please come forward to Fr Gregory. We are grateful to the Ireson family, who lived in our parish, for financial sponsorship of activities for the youth of our parish.

LUX

Our diocesan youth ministry office, NYMO has announced the dates of the next residential weekend for young people. 'Lux.dive' will take place from Friday 9th - Sunday **11th February 2024**. The weekend is open to all those in school years 7-13 and costs £125 pp (which is great value in today's inflated market!) visit <https://nymo.org/lux-dive/>

NYMO - FOR FUTURE REFERENCE



Event: Diocesan Day for Lay Catechists and Youth Ministers

Venue: St Thomas Centre, Northampton, NN2 6AG

Date: Saturday 21st October 2023

Time: 10 am to 5 pm

Cost: Suggested donation of £20.00

Event: Youth Mass with Bishop David

Venue: Our Lady Help of Christians,

52 Castle Street, Luton, LU1 3AG

Date: 22nd October 2023

Time: 5 pm - 7 pm.

PACT



Prisoners' Sunday:

"This day... with me... paradise"
Luke 23:43

8th October 2023

Pact (Prison Advice & Care Trust) invites you to join them at a free online Just People Workshop on Wednesday 25th October, 9.00 am - 1 pm. Discern the Lord's call to social justice as we join together to promote the Common Good in our communities, reflecting upon Scripture and Catholic Social Teaching through the lens of people affected by imprisonment. All are welcome. Register here: <https://bit.ly/3y7eK77>

OUR PARISH WEBSITE



If you know anyone who could help with the parish website, I would very much appreciate it. Please contact Fr Gregory.

A PLACE OF CALM



Dear Parents of our youngest children, we realise how difficult it is for you when your children get 'lively' or 'upset'. Therefore, we invite you to take them upstairs to the organ loft, which is above the sacristy. It is a safe place with a triple sound-proof window overlooking the altar. There is a speaker up there, so you will be able to take an active part in the Mass and your children will become calm and comfortable. Please take care on the stone steps.

ALL SAINTS FEAST DAY 2023



This year, **All Saints Day** (*Holy Day of Obligation*) falls on Wednesday, **1st November**. Masses on that day will be as follows:

Burton Latimer - Vigil Mass on Tuesday, **31st October** at **6.00 pm**

Kettering - On Wednesday, **1st November** at **10.00 am** and **7.00 pm**

Rothwell - On Wednesday, **1st November** at **5.30 pm**

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ALL SOULS DAY 2023



All Souls Day falls on Thursday, **2nd November**

Masses on that day will be as follows:

Kettering - On Thursday, **2nd November** at **10.00 am** and **7.00 pm**

Desborough - On Thursday, **2nd November** at **5.30 pm**



During these Masses we will pray especially for those parishioners, who passed away in the last year. I would like to invite those who lost their loved ones since last November (2022). We could put photographs or even Orders of Service of those who died, on the steps of the Sanctuary as we did last year.



In the Sanctuary you can find a basket with envelopes in which you can put a card with the names of the deceased. You can also use ordinary envelopes for this. Please return your envelopes to the Church (put it in the collection basket) or to the Parish office (put it in the letter box). Your donation can be placed in the envelope. Mass for Holy Souls will be offered for them during the month of November and the year ahead.

St Thomas More Catholic Primary School



If your child turns 4 before 31st August 2024; you are warmly invited to come and have a look around our school.

Reception 2024 School Tours

Wednesday 11th October: from 9.15am to 12pm

Saturday 14th October: from 9am to 3pm

Wednesday 15th November: from 9.15am to 12pm

Saturday 18th November: from 9am to 3pm

**To book a slot, please contact our Office -
Phone: 01536 512112**



This is a Good School
OFSTED 2023

CHURCH CHOIR



The Church Choir meets for a practice **every Tuesday at 7.30 pm** in the church. If you are interested in joining, please come along.

PLANNING YOUR WEDDING



If you are planning to get married abroad or at St Edward's Church, you must give us at least six months' notice. This is to ensure that all the preparation that couples are required to do, and the pre-marriage courses are completed along with the necessary paperwork. You are always welcome to approach me after any Mass, so that you can begin making wedding plans.

OUR CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOLS

St Edward's Church is linked to 2 local primary schools: St Edward's and St Thomas More. Both schools work closely together and provide our Catholic children with a good education both academically and spiritually. If you would like to visit either of our schools please contact their school offices -

St Edward's - seppoffice@st-luke-at.co.uk or 01536 481430

St Thomas More - Office@stm.ket.olicatschools.org or 01536 512112

ST EDWARD'S PARISH FACEBOOK GROUP



The Parish of St. Edward, RC Church, Kettering.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2762598427183322/>

St. Nicholas Owen Catholic Church - Burton Latimer.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/809856073037388/>

PARISH CALL AND CARE



The Parish is continuing with its "Parish Call and Care scheme" to support isolated and elderly parishioners. If you are someone who would like to receive calls, from a fellow parishioner, or know of someone who you feel would appreciate such a call, please contact Fr Gregory in the first instance on 01536 512497 or email parish.stedwardkettering@northamptondiocese.org with your name and phone number (and if you are recommending anybody else to receive such calls, their name and phone number) parish.stedwardkettering@northamptondiocese.org with your name and phone number (and if you are recommending anybody else to receive such calls, their name and phone number)

USEFUL LINKS

National Domestic Abuse Helpline 0808 2000 247

Refuge website <https://www.refuge.org.uk/>

Kettering Foodbank 1 Horse Market, Unit 1B, Kettering, NN16 0DG (side entrance at the top of Market Street) Tel. 07709 741353 <https://www.ketteringfoodbank.org/>

A list of free food outlets in Kettering (updated March, 2022):

<http://www.stedwardskettering.org.uk/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Kettering-Food-Outlets-Virus-Update-no32.pdf>

Mary's Meals <https://youtu.be/llqBIXrVJzw> / **Right to Life** <https://righttolife.org.uk>

Redundancy Coaching <http://www.vitaeopus.co.uk> provides free online information and advice about Job Hunting, Self-Employment and Active Retirement for Parishioners adversely affected workwise by the pandemic. Please pass the link on to anyone who may find it useful.

Safe Spaces We welcome contact from anyone hurt by abuse, whether that be through your experience within the Church or elsewhere. **Safe Spaces** is a free and independent support service, providing a confidential, personal and safe space for anyone who has been abused through their relationship with either the Church of England or the Catholic Church in England and Wales.

safeguarding@northamptondiocese.org

Please have a look at this page from the Northampton Diocese website: [Northampton Diocese Resources](#) which gives further information and contact details.

Safe Spaces is an independent and confidential support service for adults who have been abused by someone in the Church. Please see parish noticeboards for further details.

WEEKLY/MONTHLY DONATIONS



If there are any Parishioners who would like to join the weekly box system / gift aid scheme, then please do let us know by completing a form, available from the porch table and putting it on the collection plate or through the Presbytery letterbox. To those who already donate through the Gift Aid Scheme, please be reminded that if your tax situation has changed or you have moved house, then please let us know.

There are several other ways of donating as follows;

- **Online** This can be done via the Diocesan website which can be found at <https://northamptondiocese.org/>. Scroll down to find the 'Donate' button and follow the instructions on the Catholic Diocese of Northampton Virgin money giving page. By indicating in the notes section of the donate page that the donation is for "**St. Edward's Kettering**" your donation will go into our parish account with the diocese, and will at the same time help our diocese as a whole. Please note that there is the facility to Gift Aid any donation to your parish if you are a taxpayer.

- **Standing Order** via your own bank. Alternatively, you can set up a standing order for donations to your parish using your online bank account. The information required to make the donation is as follows. Bank; NatWest Sort Code; 60-06-11 Account Name; 46898093 Account Name; Northampton Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust Payment Ref; St. Edward's, Kettering
- **Make a donation to your own parish over the phone** - Each 'Tuesday' between 10.00am and 4.00pm, a member of the finance team will be available at Bishop's House to take your calls to donate to your parish community over the telephone. To donate simply call 01604 712065 with your debit or credit card details. (If you get the answering machine just leave your name and number NOT bank details and you will be called back). You can make a one-off donation or regular weekly or monthly payments, on any Tuesday until further notice.
- You can also support the Parish by **making a donation through the letterbox** of the presbytery at any time.

Thank you for any help you can give.

YOUR LEGACY

Your Legacy - Invest in the future of your parish and our Diocese. Gifts in your Will are a memorable and lasting way you can continue to support the Church's ministry and mission and help meet the needs of future generations. Please consider gifts to the Church and Catholic charities next time you update your Will. For more information, pick up a bookmark; contact your parish office, alternatively, go to www.northamptondiocese.org/your-legacy or contact Brian Emmanuel on 01604 600337 or brian.emmanuel@northamptondiocese.org
